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TO:

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FROM: HOUSTON AND WARNER

1. VOTE SEVENTY ONE AYES AND TWELVE NOES AS
FOLLOWS: BURDICK, N. D.; FRANCIS CASE, S. D.; FULBRIGHT;
GRUENING, ALASKA; LAUSCHE, OHIO; METCALF, MONT.;
MARGARET CHASE SMITH; STEPHEN M. YOUNG, OHIO;
BYRD, W. VA.; MCCARTHY; NEUBERGER AND PROXMIRE.
PAIRS: HUMPHREY YES AND MORSE NO; PELL YES AND CLARK NO.
APPROXIMATELY TWO HOUR DEBATE TODAY BEFORE VOTE WHICH
WAS DELAYED FOR THIRTY MINUTES PER AGREEMENT.

2. MARGARET CHASE SMITH SPOKE FIRST MAKING A VERY
SHORT STATEMENT SAYING SHE WAS VOTING NO BASED ON
NOMINEE'S LACK OF EXPERIENCE IN THE INTELLIGENCE FIELD.

3. JAVITS MADE SHORT STATEMENT COMMENTING ON HIS
COSPONSORSHIP OF MCCARTHY'S BILL FOR A JOINT COMMITTEE BUT
SAID THE ISSUE WAS NOT THE AGENCY BUT THE NOMINEE INFERRING
SUPPORT FOR THE NOMINEE.

4. CASE REHASHED FOREIGN FLAG SHIPPING INTERESTS
STATING IT RAISED QUESTION WHETHER NOMINEE COULD BE
OBJECTIVE PARTICIPATING IN THE DEBATE AND ACTIVITIES
INVOLVED.

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5. GRUENING READ LONG PREPARED STATEMENT REPEATING CLARK AND MCCARTHY ARGUMENTS ON LACK OF EXPERIENCE, SUPERVISION BY CONGRESS, CONFLICT OF INTERESTS.

6. BYRD (WEST VIRGINIA) SHORTER VERSION OF THE SAME.

7. LAUSCHE OPPOSED ON POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST GROUNDS.

8. RUSSELL STRONG SUPPORT EMPHASIZING DUTY TO SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT UNLESS THERE WAS REAL REASON TO OPPOSE AND THAT NOMINEE'S RECORD, PRIOR LIFE, PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT SERVICE, AND CONSIDERATION BY COMMITTEES AND SENATE ON PRIOR APPOINTMENTS ALL DEMONSTRATED FITNESS FOR POSITION. STRONGLY EMPHASIZED ABSENCE OF POLICY FUNCTION AND MEETING FULBRIGHT'S POINT THAT NOMINEE SHOULD HAVE BEEN QUESTIONED ON FOREIGN POLICY VIEWS STATED THAT IF THE ARMED SERVICES COMMITTEE HAD QUESTIONED IN THIS FIELD THE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE WOULD HAVE OBJECTED.

9. SALTONSTALL SUPPORTED BY SAYING IF NOMINEE HAD EXPRESSED POLICY VIEWS IN THE FOREIGN FIELD HE MIGHT HAVE BEEN COMPELLED TO OPPOSE HIM.

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10. PASTORE VOICED STRONG SUPPORT BASED UPON INTIMATE KNOWLEDGE GAINED FROM RELATIONS WITH NOMINEE WITH JCAE.

11. GORE HAD SHORT BUT STRONG SUPPORT.

12. MUSKIE QUERIED WHETHER THE COMMITTEE HAD ADEQUATELY QUESTIONED THE NOMINEE BUT IN ABSENCE OF REASON TO OPPOSE HE WOULD SUPPORT THE PRESIDENT.

13. FULBRIGHT STATED HE HAD NO OPPORTUNITY TO PUT QUESTIONS TO NOMINEE AND IN ABSENCE OF INFORMATION ON NOMINEE'S VIEWS IN FIELDS OF INTEREST TO FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE HE FELT INSUFFICIENTLY INFORMED TO SUPPORT THE NOMINATION. HE CLAIMED HE AND HIS COMMITTEE HAD NOT BEEN CONSULTED ON APPOINTMENT. STRONG IMPLICATION OF JURISDICTIONAL JEALOUSY.

14. McCARTHY REPEATED BASIC QUESTION OF CONGRESSIONAL SUPERVISION IN FIELD OF FOREIGN RELATIONS STATING HE WOULD VOTE TO CONFIRM FOR SEC DEF OR SEC AIR FORCE BUT NOT FOR DCI.

15. KUCHEL SHORT BUT STRONG SUPPORT.

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16. RUSSELL MADE FINAL STATEMENT ON ROLE OF DIRECTOR BEING TO SUPPORT PRESIDENT AS CHIEF EXECUTIVE AND COMMANDER IN CHIEF AND CARRY OUT HIS ORDERS CITING PREVIOUS STATE DEPARTMENT PAPER ON ONE HUNDRED EXAMPLES OF INDEPENDENT PRESIDENTIAL ACTIONS ASSERTING FORCE IN CONDUCT OF FOREIGN RELATIONS. ON CONFLICT OF INTEREST RUSSELL MADE DISTINCTION BETWEEN HIS COMMITTEE'S POSITION ON SEC DEF WITH ITS LARGE PROCUREMENT ACTIVITIES AND POSITION OF DCI WHICH DID NOT INVOLVE SAME PROBLEM. EXPRESSED REGRET AT CERTAIN INNUENDOES RAISED IN DEBATE. SALTONSTALL AND SYMINGTON JOINED WITH RUSSELL IN THIS LINE OF ARGUMENT.

17. WE HAVE RECEIVED SUPPORT FROM MANY SENATORS AND THEIR STAFFS BUT OUTSTANDING SUPPORT FROM RUSSELL, SALTONSTALL, JACKSON AND SYMINGTON. EARLY THIS MORNING RUSSELL, SALTONSTALL AND SYMINGTON APPROACHED US TO ASK IF THERE WERE ANY WAY THEY COULD GIVE ANY ADDITIONAL SUPPORT.

END OF MESSAGE